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CROATIAN PRIMORJE HAS 127 FISHING COOPERATIVES -- Slovenski Porocevalec, No 159,
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At present, the Croatian Primorje has 127 fishing cooperatives, with 1,200 members. The government thus far has given these cooperatives 85 motor schooners, 200 ship's engines, and a large number of fishing nets. The cooperatives own 230 large nets, 252 motor ships, and 470 fishing rowboats.

The average year's profit of cooperative fishermen in 1949 was 50,000 dinars each, while the average earnings of fishermen in the private sector was only about 6,000 dinars. The cooperatives have been catching 230 percent more fish since the war than fishermen caught in 1939, although only half as many men are engaged in fishing.

Last year, fishing cooperatives delivered 23 million kilograms of fish to the government. The remainder was distributed among the members of the fishing cooperatives for their own consumption.

The government has calculated that cooperatives will catch one half of all the fish caught in the Adriatic this year.

FISHING PLAN SURPASSED -- Borba, No 155, 1 Jul 50

The half-year plan for sea fishing was completed and surpassed on 21 June. Of the fish caught during this period, cities and industrial centers have consumed 3 million kilograms.

MORE RECLAMATION FOR MACEDONIA -- Borba, No 159, 5 Jul 50

The Five-Year Plan calls for the reclamation of 155,000 hectares of land in Macedonia. In the Pelagonija alone, 50,000 hectares are scheduled to be

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reclaimed before the end of 1951. Most of the land is under water throughout the year. The fertility of 50,000 additional hectares will be improved under the plan.

The "Crna Reka" Reclamation Enterprise has been assigned to deepen the Crna Reka (River) bed by an average of 5 meters along the 17-kilometer stretch between Skocivir and Donja Egri. The flow of the Crna Reka is to be regulated between Skocivir and Bucin. The bed of the Crna Reka will be 22 to 40 meters wide, while those of its tributaries will be from 10 to 30 meters wide.

On the reclaimed area, 6,000 hectares of sunflowers, 1,000 hectares of castor beans, 8,000 hectares of tobacco, 4,000 hectares of rice, 10,000 hectares of vegetables, 9,000 hectares of fodder plants, and 12,000 hectares of grain will be grown. The yearly income from these products is expected to amount to 1,222,000 dinars, of which 551,000 dinars are earmarked for labor and 671,000 dinars will be profit.

ALBANIA PLANS RECLAMATION -- Liria, No 441, 16 Jun 50

Tirana, 8 April -- The principal reclamation projects in Albania will be the drainage of Lake Maliq at a cost of 20,313,000 lek, the control of the Bedini to cost 21,313,000 lek, the canal to irrigate Myzeqe Valley, the "Naum Panxhi" irrigation canal, and the opening of the Kozara Canal. In addition, 37 other canals of local importance will be dug at a cost of 23,610,000 lek.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry estimates that the reclaimed areas will add 11,000 quintals of wheat and 10,400 quintals of corn to last year's production.

MORE FARM WORK COOPERATIVES IN SLOVENIA -- Slovenski Porocevalec, No 159, 6 Jul 50

According to the Slovenian Ministry of Agriculture, 31 new farm work cooperatives were established in Slovenia by the end of May 1950. In Postojna Srez, eight of these cooperatives were established, in Ljutomer Srez four, in the vicinity of Ljubljana and Maribor three each, in Sezana, Kocevje, and Tolmin Srez two each, in the vicinity of Celje one, and in Kranj, Gorica, Idrija, Krsko, Jesenice, and Kamnik Srez one each. These cooperatives enrolled 43 farm families, who contributed 1,513 head of cattle and 5,149 hectares of land. Ten to 20 families are each cooperative.

SERBIAN STATE FARMS DELIVER 38,000 FATTENED HOGS -- Slovenski Porocevalec, No 159, 6 Jul 50

During the first 5 months of 1950, Serbian State Farms delivered over 38,000 fattened hogs to the government, and thus surpassed the 1950 plan for that period.

In the Vojvodina alone, state farms constructed large fattening pens for about 14,000 hogs.

CANNING FACTORY COMPLETED -- Borba, No 159, 5 Jul 50

Bar, 4 July -- In June 1950, a fruit-canning factory was completed on the state farm in Topolica near Bar. This is the first factory of its kind in Montenegro. The factory's present capacity is from 400 to 500 kilograms of canned fruit per day. However, its capacity is expected to increase after new machinery is installed.

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